

**Arizona Depository Library Council Meeting Minutes
October 29, 2010
ASU Ross-Blakley Law Library – Classroom and Virtually**

Attendees (in person)

Janet Fisher	Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records
Tory Trotta	Arizona State University, Ross-Blakley Law Library (Chair)
Dan Stanton	Arizona State University, Hayden Library
Sandy Rizzo	Mesa Public Library
Susan Irwin,	Adjunct Faculty, University of Arizona SIRLS/AZ Historical Foundation/Chair of the AzLA Government Information Interest Group
Rose Gilbert	Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records
Brad Vogus	Arizona State University, Hayden Library
Pauline Savini	Mesa Public Library
Denise Shroyer	Mesa Public Library

Special Guest: Kristina Bobe - USGPO

Attendees (virtual - new ATT Connect Web software)

Mollie Gugler	Yavapai College
Pat Headlee	Northern Arizona University
Shawn Flecken	Pima County Public Library
Susan Acton	Northland Pioneer College
Sarah Gotschall	University of Arizona, Cracchiolo Law Library
Atifa Rawan	University of Arizona, Main Library
Camille O'Neill	Arizona Western College
Allan Dew	Pima County Public Library

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon Business Meeting

Welcome – Janet Fisher

The minutes of the spring 2010 Arizona Depository Council were approved. (Rizzo moved, Vogus seconded; unanimous approval).

FDLP - It was announced that all Arizona depository libraries have completed their USGPO Public Access Assessments. All libraries enjoyed their interactions with the USGPO representatives, either Kristina Bobe or Robin Haun-Mohamed. Kristina Bobe commented on the dedication and commitment to dissemination of government information that she found on her Arizona visits and she thanked everyone for all they are doing to create this wonderful resource for our communities. She also noted that we were very lucky to have an engaged Regional Depository Coordinator. It was good for Janet Fisher to be recognized in this way.

Announcements

AzLA Government Information Group

Susan Irwin has accepted the position of AzLA Government Information Interest Group Chair. Her role will be to plan programs for the annual AzLA conference. Send ideas for programs to susan.irwin@ahfweb.org.

There was some discussion of strategies to maximize the number of government information sessions at conference. Last year we had 2 programs plus a business meeting slot. A substantive program can be proposed as part of the section's business meeting. Another strategy is to come to the planning meetings with lots of speaker and topic ideas. Many times one of the other groups will adopt one of the government information program ideas. Although meeting ideas should be developed year round, the program planning really begins in earnest in April and May. 45 minutes is the usual program length. Some ideas: Robert McWhirter – a multimedia presentation on the first amendment; Jerry O'Donnell on Census topics.

The November 15-17, 2010 AzLA Annual Conference will include several government information programs: Janet Fisher (regional librarian), GladysAnn Wells (State Librarian) and Jim Drake (Assistant Secretary of State) on locating government information, Brad Vogus (ASU) and Sandy Rizzo (Mesa Public Library) on consumer information (an update of the Gi21 project module), and the Business meeting with a presentation called "In or out of the house" with the AZ Dept of Housing.

It was noted that AzLA is moving towards a 'virtual' program track to complement the in person conference.

Education Committee

Sandy Rizzo is moving up in her organization and out of government documents and Pat Esposito is retiring. Therefore a new chair or co-chairs must be appointed. Interested people should contact Janet Fisher. The work is fun and not overwhelming, according to Sandy. Duties include identifying and coordinating program proposals to take to AzLA leadership for consideration.

Arizona in the National Legal Inventory

More volunteers are welcome in order to finish the Arizona portion of the National Legal Inventory project, chaired by Sarah Gotschall. There will be training and working 'codathon' on November 5, from 11:00 – 1:00 pm. Anyone who wishes to participate should contact Janet Fisher or Sarah Gotschall. The initial deadline for this project is June 2011.

Discussion of the ARL Statement of Principles for Federal Depository Program

<http://www.arl.org/bm~doc/fdlpprinciples14oct10.pdf>

The focus of discussion was on principles #6 and #7 (Simplified Withdrawal Process). Janet Fisher prefers adding withdrawal guidelines to our State Plan as a separate document from the state plan. Arizona may adopt whatever procedure work best for Arizona libraries.

The Arizona State Plan

Sandy Rizzo (Mesa Public Library) and Pat Esposito (Pima County Public Library) led the project to update the State Plan. Rizzo moved, and Vogus seconded that the plan be adopted. The plan was adopted unanimously, with the caveat that appendices covering various policies would be forthcoming. The Arizona Depository Library Council expresses its gratitude and thanks to Sandy and Pat for their herculean efforts to bring this project to a successful end.

Gi21

The members of the Arizona Depository Library Council have agreed to keep the modules of the Gi21 project updated as they are a significant resource for citizens who seek training on using government information. It was determined that we should contact the original authors of the module to see if they want to update it or assist in the updating of it. Janet will contact the authors of the modules that are not spoken for today. Tory Trotta – legal information; military and war module – Pat Esposito; Brad Vogus – consumer information; Sandy Rizzo – Business if it can be done by year's end. Rose Gilbert will provide a list of broken links for these modules and Barbara Berg of the Arizona State Library will actually update the changes sent to them. The goal is to complete the updates by Jan 1, 2011.

Six State Virtual Government Information Conference Report

People from 16 states participated. 126 registered, and we know there were others in the rooms that were not counted. 57 of the registered attendees were from Arizona. The full range of library types was represented. 17 sessions were conducted and CE credits were bestowed for 14 of the 17 sessions. Many positive comments were received, especially about the keynote speaker, and the consensus was that the virtual conference was a huge success and it will be held again. It was excellent promotion for government information. At one point it was discussed whether to enlarge the audience scope to the entire depository community for this 2010 Conference, but ultimately it was limited to the six state area only (although a few 'outsiders' managed to sneak in) to be sure that the platform worked.

The screenshots are all archived on WebJunction (Gi21 site) and sessions are archived on OPAL. GPO was happy to collaborate with us as it gave them an opportunity to learn about the limits and capabilities of that system. The Depository Librarians involved in the planning and execution of the modules enjoyed learning more about presenting online. The project has inspired other state depository councils to replicate the conference. There were some minor technical problems but on the whole, the extreme preparation and practice that all conference planners committed themselves to made the conference successful. Congratulations to all the depository librarians who worked hard to make this conference the success that it was. Our state was well represented in the planning of the conference by Brad, Janet, Kerry, Tory, and Sandy, and Mollie and Camille joined the effort as presenters.

New Business

Federal Depository Library Conference Update

USGPO will celebrate 150 years next year and many events and programs are planned. GPOAccess will be sunsetted and FDsys will be the only online system for electronic FDLP documents.

GPO is happy to come to our libraries and associations to speak

Ithaka S + R – presented their report on creating a sustainable model for FDLP in a digital environment. <http://www.fdlpmodeling.net> . They are looking for more library input, particularly from public libraries who are now underrepresented in their research.

Public Library in Oberlin KS was named Library of the Year.

FDLP – Top Ten Benefits

Janet Fisher attended the new member orientation, and the regionals' meeting.

There was a huge group of University of Maryland library students who are specializing in e-government information – the docs librarians of the future!

Sunlight Foundation – Sandy Rizzo organized a trek to the Sunlight Foundation and good information was transferred about government information and the issues surrounding how to find and use it. The Sunlight Foundation leaders were very interested in the presentation.

The Spring Depository Council meeting will be April 4-6, 2011 in San Antonio, TX.

Other announcements

An article by Charley Seavey published in *American Libraries* calling for disbanding the FDLP caused quite a stir.

ALA has produced a tool kit on e-government advocacy. This can be found on the ALA website under “Advocacy Issues.”

Several depository librarians reported on their PAA (Public Access Assessment) experiences.

Atifa reported that she retired but was immediately rehired on contract. She transferred 9 cabinets of microfiche to the law library.

Sandy Rizzo reported that Mesa is opening a new ‘storefront’ branch of the Mesa Public Library and that she will no longer be the government documents coordinator. Pauline Savini is the new documents librarian.

The Arizona Depository Library’s spring meeting will be held in late April, 2011. Janet Fisher will be Chair again, with Camille O’Neill to be Vice-Chair.

Adjourn For Lunch

Training session 1:30 – 3:00 pm

Kristina Bobe, USGPO on PAA/Education and Outreach

There are six outreach librarians for 1200+ depositories. They are now also conducting web-based assessments.

During Arizona assessments, the outreach librarians look for the degree of visibility of the collection; how they are managing the transition to a more electronic collection; how librarians are communicating with and educating their user groups, particularly since there are a number of formats that the material could utilize; the existence of signage.

Usage statistics are lacking but hard to capture, especially in electronic formats. “Accessible” is different than “findable.”

She specifically discussed FDsys.gov and the new Metalib federated search capability (<http://metalib.gpo.gov>).